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Applicant: Hiroyasu Fujinaka : Art Unit: 2834
Serial No.: 09/607,103 : Examiner: T. Lam
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FOR: MOTOR CORE AND MOTOR : Box Missing Parts
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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S I R :

In the election requirement dated October 3, 2001, it was indicated that the application contains claims directed to twenty patentably distinct species.

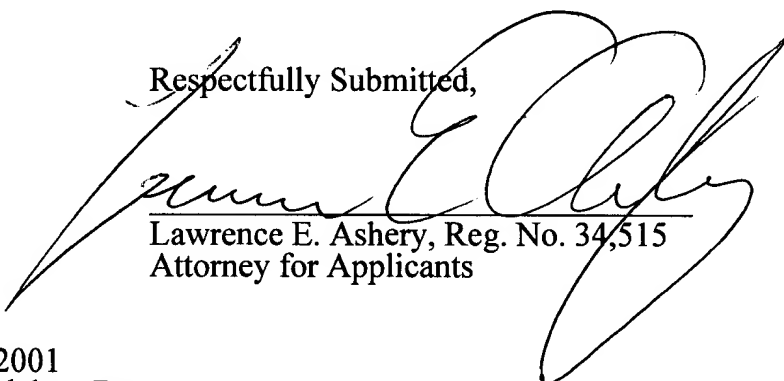
In response Applicant elects for further prosecution the claims corresponding to Species A. At present Applicant believes that claims 1 and 42 correspond to Species A. This election is made with traverse.

Applicant respectfully requests a modified election requirement. Specifically, Applicant respectfully asserts that it would be appropriate to designate the claims as corresponding to two groups, namely Group I (Figs. 1-40 and 44-50) and Group II (Figs. 41-43). Claim 1 is a generic claim corresponding to the core and claim 42 is a generic claim corresponding to the motor. Claim 16 is generic to claims 2 and 15. Claim 45 is generic to claims 43 and 44.

Notwithstanding the above, claims 1 and 42 are generic. Specifically, claim 1 is generic to claims 16, 17, and 35 and claim 42 is generic to claims 45, 46, and 48. Claims 2 and 15 are generic to claim 16 while claims 43 and 44 are generic to claim 45.

Thus, while claims 1 and 42 are readable on Species I, Applicants respectfully assert that a Species corresponding to Figs. 1-40 and 44-50 should have appeared in the election requirement and that Applicants would have elected claims 1, 2, 15, 16, 17, 35, 42, 45, 43, 44, 46, and 48 if given the opportunity to make such an election.

Respectfully Submitted,


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